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Patent Application of

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Examiner: Devin J. Hanan

“CENTRIFUGAL BLOWER”

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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER**  
**37 C.F.R. 1.104(e)**

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Sir:

This communication responds to the Examiner's statement of the Reasons for Allowance of the claims, contained within the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed April 21, 2006.

In the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner indicates that the prior art fails to disclose or suggest the combination of features set forth in the allowed claims, and recites a number of elements in support of this conclusion. Specifically, the Examiner states that the “Applicant's arguments, with respect to the one-piece structure of the centrifugal blower have been fully considered and are persuasive.” The Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 1 recites that the hub, the first plurality of blades, and the shroud, all components of the centrifugal fan, are formed as one piece.

The Applicant respectfully submits that the Reasons for Allowance set forth only some of the features and elements claimed in claims 1-34 and 37 of the present application, and that the reasons presented represent only some of the reasons why some of the claims are allowable.

In this regard, other reasons exist for the allowability of each claim, and provide additional and different bases for allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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